



DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
HAZARDOUS MATERIALS REGULATIONS BOARD  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20590

**Hazardous Materials Regulations  
Board**

**[ 49 CFR Part 173 ]**

[Docket No. HM-20; Notice 69-8]

**HYDROFLUORIC ACID**

**Shipment**

The Hazardous Materials Regulations Board proposes to amend section 173.264 of the Hazardous Materials Regulations to authorize the use of 37M steel overpacks with inside polyethylene packagings, Specifications 2S and 2SL for the shipping of hydrofluoric acid.

Interested persons are invited to give their views on the following proposal. Communications should identify the docket number and be submitted in duplicate to the Secretary, Hazardous Materials Regulations Board, Department of Transportation, 400 Sixth Street SW., Washington, D.C. 20590. Communications received on or before May 20, 1969, will be considered before final action is taken on the proposal. All comments received will be available for examination by interested persons at the Office of the Secretary, Hazardous Materials Regulations Board, both before and after the closing date for comments.

This proposal is based on a petition for rule making submitted by the Bureau of Explosives and would eliminate several outstanding special permits. As pointed out in the petitions, there is an inconsistency in paragraph (a) (18) of § 173.264 wherein reference is made to containers having capacities in excess of 15 gallons when the only authorized inside container, Specification 2T, may not be constructed with a capacity in excess of 13 gallons. In consideration of the foregoing, it is proposed to cancel paragraph

(a) (18) and combine the authorization to use Specifications 6D and 37M drums as follows:

**§ 173.264 Hydrofluoric acid.**

(a) \* \* \*

(17) Spec. 6D or 37M (nonreusable container) (§§ 178.102, 178.134 of this chapter). Cylindrical steel overpacks with inside spec. 2S, 2SL, or 2T (§§ 178.35, 178.35a, 178.21 of this chapter) polyethylene container. Spec. 37M overpack of over 15-gallon capacity must be constructed of at least 20-gauge steel. Authorized only for acid of not over 70 percent strength.

(18) Canceled.

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This proposal is made under the authority of sections 831-835 of title 18 United States Code, and section 9 of the Department of Transportation Act (49 U.S.C. 1657), and title VI and section 902(h) of the Federal Aviation Act of 1958 (49 U.S.C. 1421-1430 and 1472(h)).

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